



Minutes from the Madison Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting October 18, 2022

Board President John Nelson called the meeting to order.

Board Members in Attendance: John Nelson, Carrie Studer, Laura Reed, Rimal Bhaskar, Mike Trimble, Kelli Wollmann, and Kelly Dybdahl. A quorum was present.

Lisa Martin was present as secretary.

Trimble motioned to accept agenda. Wollmann seconded. The motion passed.

Bhaskar motioned to accept the minutes of 9.20.22. Wollmann seconded. The motion passed.

Dybdahl motioned to accept the bills. Studer seconded. The motion passed.

Martin reported on the activities in the library including book clubs and future plans for programming. Martin read a letter from Court Weck, the Children's Librarian, resigning on December 10. Weck has kindly given the library 3 months to search for a replacement. It was noted that she has done a wonderful job and will be missed.

Concerning the Marjorie Haskins Trust, Martin proposed wording to safeguard the funds be placed in the minutes of the MPL Board of Trustees Meeting:

The Madison Public Library was bequeathed \$92,812.40 from Marjorie Haskins, a resident of Madison, music lover, and patron of the library.

It is the intention of the Madison Public Library Board of Trustees that the gift be put into an endowment fund, named the Madison Public Library Endowment Fund managed by the South Dakota Community Foundation with the Library Director as the Fund Contact.

According to the letter from Wells Fargo Wealth & Investment Management dated 11/18/21, this gift is "to be administered by the Board of Trustees of the Madison Public library with an emphasis on music and music appreciation items in and for the Library: this [sic] to include audio and/or audio visual materials; it being my wish an [sic] desire that the Library provide for and promote and enhance the appreciation of all type of music but with the particular emphasis on classical music."

The Trustees would like to recognize the wishes and desire of Marjorie Haskins by committing the majority of the distributable income from the fund to promote and enhance the appreciation of music. The exact use of the funds is to be determined on a case-by-case basis by the Madison Public Library Board of Trustees with the help of the Director.

The board suggested that Martin take wording above and get approval from the city lawyer. Martin will report next month.

Martin presented the latest numbers from the city on the 2023 budget. Martin informed the board that with the resignation of Weck, Martin will ask for more in the salary budget for a 40 hour a week staff member and another part time employee to aid the Children's Librarian.

Martin reported on Staff Development Day. It will be November 4 and used to train staff on the new cataloging procedure.

The board was informed that siblings Luther Marshall III, David Marshall, Kay Marshall, and Joan Marshall and their father Luther Marshall Jr. is a family with deep roots in Madison SD. In the past they donated a tree to the library in honor of their grandmother, Minnie Burki Taylor. When their mother and wife, Charrold (Cherrie) Marshall passed away in January, they asked to honor her at the library by donating money and creating a MakerSpace to be named after her for \$10,000. They also hope to create a South Dakota collection within the library for \$2,000 and name it for their father.

There were no public comments and no one waiting to enter into the room for comment.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Lisa Martin